

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN  
MERIDIAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION (MTC)  
MEETING MINUTES OF JANUARY 23, 2020

PRESENT: Vice-Chair Vagnozzi, Commissioners Potter and Lovell.

ABSENT: Chair Hackbarth, Commissioners Kolbasa, Hudson, and Deschaine

STAFF: Ken Plaga, Chief of Police and Mark Kieselbach, Director of Community Planning and Development.

## 1. Call Meeting to Order

Vice-Chair Vagnozzi called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

## 2. Approval of Agenda

No action was taken due to not having a quorum.

## 3. Approval of Minutes

No action was taken due to not having a quorum.

## 4. Communications

No action was taken due to not having a quorum.

## 5. Public Hearing

A. Proposed conversion of Jolly Road from 4 to 3 lanes from Hagadorn Road to Dobie Road.

Vice-Chair Vagnozzi opened the public hearing at 6:10 p.m. He welcomed Bill Conklin, Managing Director Ingham County Road Department (ICRD).

- Director Conklin provided an overview of the proposed project.
- The project would consist of two segments: Hagadorn Road to Kansas Street (west segment) Center left turn lane (CLTL), one through lane in each direction, keep outer westbound lane but remark it for right turns only starting and including at Hulett Road (the outer westbound lane is already marked for right turns only onto north bound Hagadorn Road) with 3 ft. wide paved shoulder/non-motorized lane on the south side.
- Alaiedon Parkway to Dobie Road (east segment). Center left turn lane (CLTL), one through lane in each direction, plus westbound lane right turn lane at Summergate Drive with 5 ft. wide paved shoulders/non-motorized lanes on both sides except where the west bound right lane would be at Summergate Drive.
- ICRD had conducted a traffic safety analysis that showed converting the existing 4 lanes would reduce left turn and other types of accidents that currently occur.
- The conversation would not cause a significant loss to through traffic capacity.

(Road plans and other material provided by ICRD are on file).

Public Remarks:

Kay Lockwood spoke in favor of the project.  
Brian Beauchine spoke in opposition of the project.  
Bethany Beauchine spoke in opposition of the project.  
Megan Mitchell spoke in opposition of the project.  
Mike Unsworth spoke in favor of the project.  
Leonard Provencher spoke in favor of the project.  
Mark Polsdofer spoke in favor of the project.  
Dan Gibson spoke in opposition of the project.  
Teresa Givson spoke in opposition of the project.  
Brenda Howser spoke in opposition of the project.  
Brad Wolfe spoke in opposition of the project.  
Wayne Cook spoke in opposition of the project.  
Lori Conklin spoke in opposition of the project.  
Becky Kulka spoke in opposition of the project.  
Tom Garvale spoke in opposition of the project.  
Tim Beemar spoke in opposition of the project.  
Carl Vogt spoke in opposition of the project.  
Brian Thomas spoke in favor of the project.  
Patricia Jackson spoke in favor of the project.  
(Sign-In List is on file)

- Transportation Commission requested ICRD to provide drawings of the Jolly Road/Hulett Road intersection and the Jolly Road/Summergate Drive intersection.
- Transportation Commission requested ICRD to provide any comments they had received from Okemos Schools.
- Transportation Commission discussed scheduling another meeting to make a recommendation on the project. Tentative date: February 6, 2020.

Vice-Chair Vagnozzi closed the public hearing at 8:20 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 8:22 p.m.